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## COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed on November 30, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application.

In response to the Examiner's reasons for allowance set forth in paragraph 3, page 2, Applicants wish to clarify and correct the Examiner's statement regarding ownership of the present application and the referenced U.S. Patent No. 6,099,734.

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As set forth in Applicant's response of August 20, 2004, U.S. Patent No. 6,099,734 is owned by the assignee of the present application (Baxter International Inc.) and the Cerus Corporation, of Concord, California. The present application is owned by the present assignee, Baxter International Inc. only.

In view of the foregoing, it is requested that Applicants comments and the correction set forth above be taken into account by the Examiner and, if appropriate, the Notice of Allowance be amended or supplemented, as necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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